REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL BY THE CITY INTERNAL AUDITOR

FRAUD HOTLINE ACTIVITY REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD

JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008

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Councilman Ron Webb Chairman, Shreveport City Council

Dear Councilman Webb:

Subject: Fraud Hotline Activity Report

This report is to provide the City Council with information on the activities of the *Fraud Hotline* for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2008.

Please review the report. Should you have questions or comments, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Leanis L. Graham, CPA, CIA City Internal Auditor

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c: City Council Clerk of Council Mayor Chief Administrative Officer BKD

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For Allegations Received During the Period January 1 through December 31, 2008

During the reporting period, eight allegations of possible fraud, waste, and abuse were reported. Work on eight allegations was completed, including one pending from 2007. *Fraud Hotline* Allegation 08-008, dated October 17, 2008, remained pending as of December 31, 2008. The following report details the disposition of investigations completed.

- Substantiated (or referred for corrective action): One allegation was referred to the appropriate level of management for correction. (Fraud Hotline Allegation 08-004)
- ➤ **Non-substantiated:** The validity of eight allegations could not be substantiated. (*Fraud Hotline* Allegations, 07-008, 08-001, 08-002, 08-003, 08-004, 08-005, 08-006, and 08-007)
- ➤ **Pending:** Disposition on one allegation remained pending. (*Fraud Hotline* Allegation 08-008)

Additionally, numerous calls were received and referred to other agencies including the Shreveport and Bossier City Police Departments, Internal Revenue Service, Social Security Administration, State Legislative Auditor's Office, State Social Services Department, Caddo Parish Sheriff, U.S. Postal Service, and others. None of these calls were assigned a case number.

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